

COLORADO RIVER BASIN SALINITY CONTROL ADVISORY COUNCIL

CHARTER

1. Official Designation: Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Advisory Council.
2. Scope and Objectives: The Council will provide advice and recommendations to the Secretaries of the Departments of the Interior (Interior) and Agriculture (Agriculture) and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on all matters relating to efficient and timely planning and execution of salinity control measures and procedures specified in the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act (Public Law 93-320, Title II, as amended by Public Laws 98-569, 104-20, 104-127, and 106-459).
3. Description of Duties: By statute, the Council will serve in an advisory capacity only and will:
 - a. Act as liaison between both the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture and the Administrator of the EPA and the States in accomplishing the purposes of Title II;
 - b. Receive reports from the Secretaries on the progress of their salinity control programs and review and comment on said reports;
 - c. Recommend to the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture and the Administrator of the EPA appropriate studies of further projects, techniques, or methods for accomplishing the purposes of Title II; and
 - d. Review the allocation of salinity costs between the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund established by section 5(a) of the Colorado River Storage Project Act (70 Stat. 107) and the Lower Colorado River Basin Development Fund established by section 403(a) of the Colorado River Basin Project Act (82 Stat. 885).
4. Duration: The Council will remain active through the planning, construction, operation, and repayment of the features and programs authorized under Title II.
5. Agency or Official To Whom the Council Reports: The Council will report to the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture and the Administrator of EPA.
6. Bureau Responsible for Providing Necessary Support: The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) will coordinate the support activities for the Council.
7. Estimated Annual Operating Costs: The annual operating costs associated with supporting the Council's functions are estimated to be \$7,500, including all direct and indirect expenses.

There are also 0.04 FTE allocated as staff support.

8. Allowances for Committee Members (Compensation, Travel, Per Diem, etc.): There will be no Federal financial support for Council members who are employees of State or local governments. Public members of the Council serve without compensation. However, while away from their homes or regular places of business, public members engaged in Council business approved by the Designated Federal Officer will be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently in Government service under section 5703 of title 5 of the United States Code.
9. Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings: The Council will meet to review program activities and conduct related business, no less than once a year, with other meetings called as deemed necessary by the Council and the Designated Federal Officer.
10. Termination Date: The Council is subject to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2, and will take no action unless the charter filing requirements of section 9 of FACA have been complied with. Pursuant to Title II, as amended, the Council has the statutory requirement to remain active through the planning, construction, operation, and repayment of the features and programs authorized under Title II. The Council is subject to biennial review and will terminate 2 years from the date this charter is filed, unless, prior to that time, the charter is renewed in accordance with section 14 of FACA.
11. Committee Membership: Membership on the Council is specified in Title II as being comprised of no more than three representatives from each of the seven Basin States (Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, and California). The representatives will serve at the discretion of the Governors of the States involved, with the membership balanced in terms of points of view represented and functions to be performed. The Commissioner of Reclamation, or his or her representative, will act as the Designated Federal Officer for the Council.
12. Ethics Responsibilities of Members: No Council or subcommittee member will participate in any specific party matter including a lease, license, permit, contract, claim, agreement, or related litigation with the Department in which the member has a direct financial interest.
13. Designated Federal Officer: Kib Jacobson, Salinity Control Program Manager, UC-240, Bureau of Reclamation, 125 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84138.
14. Subgroups: The Council may have workgroups or subgroups that the Council and the Designated Federal Officer deem necessary for the purpose of compiling information or conducting research. However, such workgroups and subgroups must act only under the direction of the Council and must report in full to the Council.

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Secretary of the Interior

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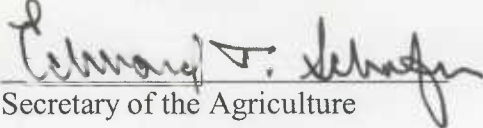
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Administrator
Environmental Protection Agency

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